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AUTUMN PRICE LIST OF

# BULBS

FOR FALL PLANTING



## ROSS BROS. CO.

181 COMMERCIAL ST., WORCESTER 8, MASS.

## GIANT TREE PEONY TULIPS

Giants indeed, for the blooms of this entirely new strain of double late flowering Tulips, measure fully 6 inches across the top of the flower. The colors are unusual and magnificent. The stems are strong and erect. An outstanding novelty Tulip.

**Grandeur.** Brown bordered yellow.

**Ida van Zanten.** Golden Yellow.

**Indian Maid.** Brownish red.

**Josef Israels.** Orange red, creme edge.

**Leviathan.** Brown with yellow edge.

**Marvellous.** Rose with white base.

**Red Radeance.** Winered, small white edge.

**Vincent van Gogh.** Bright red with golden edge.

Each 28c; 10 for \$2.60; 100, \$25.00.

## SINGLE EARLY TULIPS

**Brilliant Star**, 10 in. Brilliant scarlet; star shaped black, yellow and olive base; large flower opening flat; narrow leaves. Very early forcing variety.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**General De Wet (Fireglow)**, 13 in. Golden yellow, splashed and strippld deep orange, giving the general effect of a clear orange; sweet scented.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Keizerskroon (Grand Duc)**, 14 in. Bright crimson scarlet with broad golden yellow border; blod cup shaped flower on stout stem. Good for medium late forcing.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Prince of Austria**, 13 in. Outside dull orange-scarlet, inside brilliant scarlet with bright yellow base. Large globular flower on tall strong stem; very sweet scented. Fine bedder and good forcer.

3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**White Hawk**, 12 in. Milkwhite; large globular flower of great substance with crinkled petals on stout stem. Very good keeper. Recommended for early forcing.

3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Yellow Prince**, 10 in. Bright yellow, when in full bloom flushed scarlet in the lower part of the flower; globular flower on stiff stem.

3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

Cottage, Breeders and Darwins flower in May.

## DARWIN GIANT TULIPS

**Afterglow**, 28 in. Salmon pink, tinged orange; edges of petals light orange; inside deep orange, with yellow base. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90; per 100 \$8.00.

**Baronne De La Tonnaye**, 28 in. Vivid rose, margined blush rose. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Bartigon**, 24 in. Clear crimson red; white base, ringed deep blue. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Bleu Aimable**, 24 in. Bright violet-blue; white base starred blue. 3 for 25c; 10 for 75c; per 100 \$6.50.

**Charles Needham**, 24 in. Novelty. Brilliant scarlet red with blue base; strong tall stem, larger flower.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**City of Haarlem**, 28 in. Intense deep scarlet, with white margined dark blue base.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

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## DARWIN GIANT TULIPS

- Clara Butt**, 24 in. Beautiful clear salmon-pink with blue base. 3 for 25c; 10 for 75c; per 100 \$6.50.
- Eclipse**, 26 in. Glowing deep blood-red with white margined dark blue base. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- Farncombe Sanders**, 28 in. Bright scarlet; inside vivid cerise scarlet with white base, marked blue. 3 for 25c; 10 for 75c; per 100 \$6.50.
- Giant**, 28 in. Deep reddish purple, shaded violet; white base with blue markings. Enormous large flower on very tall, erect, strong stem. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- Golden Age**, 24 in. Deep golden yellow, soft orange at the edges of the petals. Large flower of true Darwin shape on tall, strong stem. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- Insurpassable**, 26 in. Lively lilac, turning slightly lighter towards edges. Very large flower of great substance. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- King Harold (Mahony)**, 25 in. Deep glossy mahogany-red with purple black base. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- La Tulipe Noire**, 26 in. Velvety deep maroon black; very dark, almost black. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Margeaux**, 26 in. Deep wine red with lighter edges, and blue base. A tremendous and beautiful flower on a tall, strong stem. 3 for 30c; 10 for 85c; per 100 \$7.50.
- Pride of Haarlem**, 28 in. Brilliant rosy-carmine with blue base. Large flower on tall, strong stem. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Pride of Zwanenburg**, 28 in. Very pleasing old rose, turning lighter towards the edges; inside reddish pink, with white base and purplish black anthers. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- Princess Elizabeth**, 26 in. Vivid rosy pink with lighter edges, good both for forcing and planting outside. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Rose Copeland**, 24 in. A lilac-rose sport of Wm. Copeland. Excellent for early forcing. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- The Bishop**, 28 in. Beautiful deep heliotrope; white edged blue base and purple anthers. The best variety in this color. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.
- Wm. Copeland**, 24 in. Bright lavender; medium sized flower. Splendid for early forcing. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Wm. Pitt**, 24 in. Bright scarlet with purplish bloom on the outer petals, and blue starred white base. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Yellow Giant**, 30 in. Rich deep golden yellow with black anthers. Large, globular flower on tall, strong stem. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.
- Zwanenburg**, 26 in. Pure white with black anters; has good keeping qualities. 3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.
- Darwin Tulips. Splendid mixture.** 3 for 25c; 10 for 60c; per 100 \$5.00; per 1000 \$45.00.

## BREEDER TULIPS

**Bacchus**, 26 in. Deep violet blue with dusky grape-like bloom on outer petals and white base.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Louis XIV**, 30 in. Dark purple flushed bronze with broad margin of golden brown.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Panorama (Fairy)**, 20 in. Brownish orange scarlet with faintly bluish bloom.

3 for 25c; 10 for 75c; per 100 \$6.50.

**Indian Chief**, 32 in. Indian-brown, flushed coppery-brown with yellow base.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Prince of Orange (Orange Beauty)**, 22 in. Orange-red flushed terracotta, with narrow orange-yellow edges; olive base, streaked yellow.

3 for 25c; 10 for 75c; per 100 \$6.50.

## DOUBLE EARLY TULIPS

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Electra**, 12 in. Claret red, shaded carmine; large very double flower on strong stem. Sport of Murillo.

**Marechal Niel**, 12 in. Soft canary yellow, flushed with soft orange, very distinct color. Large flower on strong stem.

**Orange Nassau**, 12 in. Blood-red, flushed fiery red, with small margin of orange. Sport of Murillo.

**Peach Blossom**, 12 in. Deep rose-pink, flushed white; large full flower on strong stem. Good forcer and splendid bedder.

**Schoonoord**, 12 in. Snowwhite. Sport of Murillo.

## COTTAGE TULIPS

3 for 30; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Advance**, 30 in. Orange scarlet with salmon-orange flush and lilac bloom on outer petals; the base is very dark blue, almost black. Enormous flower.

**Marjorie Bowen**, 28 in. A combination of buff and salmon, which gradually passes to lilac-rose, flushed salmon. White base with black anthers. Large, long flower.

**Mrs. John T. Scheepers**, 26 in. Pure yellow with yellow anthers. A giant flower, long, oval shaped, on a tall sturdy stem. The largest and best yellow Tulip.

**Mount Erebus**, 28 in. Beautiful pure white. Large flower on strong stem.

## BOTANICAL TULIPS

**Fosteriana. Red Emperor (Mme. Lefebvre)**, 20 in. Fiery scarlet with yellow bordered large black base. Enormous flower of great substance. Very early flowering variety.

3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; per 100 \$9.00.

**Kaufmanniana Gaiety**, 6 in. Pure white. The stems are so short, that the flowers seem to rest on the leaves.

3 for \$35; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.

**Kaufmanniana Vivadi**, 11 in. Red bordered yellow.

3 for \$35; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.



## REMBRANDT TULIPS

**American Flag**, 24 in. The lower part of the petal is bright deep red, the upper part white with red stripes, the base is blue.

3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.

**Cordell Hull**, 24 in. Red, flamed rose-pink and white; large flower.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

## PARROT TULIPS

**Blue Parrot**, 24 in. Bright violet, flushed steel blue. Very large flower on tall, strong stem.

3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Fantasy**, 22 in. Salmon-pink with green markings on outer petals; inside deeper salmon-pink.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

## HYACINTHS

Each 25c; 3 for 55c; 10 for \$1.70; per 100 \$16.00.

### Single Rose, Red and Pink

**Marconi**. Bright rose; broad truss borne on a short stiff stem, fine for forcing and a good bedder.

**Jan Bos**. Carmine; lighter centered bells; small compact spike. Suitable for early forcing.

**Lady Derby**. Delicate rose pink; long well shaped truss of loose form set with large waxy bells. Good for forcing as well as for bedding.

**Le Victoire**. Bright carmine red; truss formed of medium sized bells; strong stem. A splendid bedder and good forcer.

**Queen of the Pinks**. Lovely bright rosy pink; large compact truss of fine shape; bells of medium size. Strong study stem. Recommended for forcing in pots for Easter. Also good for bedding.

### Single White and Blush White

**L'Innocence**. Pure white; broad loose truss of elegant form; large well shaped bells. The best pure white Hyacinth for all purposes. Recommended for bedding as well as for forcing.

**Queen of the White**. Pure white; large compact spike; dwarf habit. Suitable for late potwork.

### Single Light Blue and Dark Blue

**Grand Maitre**. Fine deep porcelain blue; very large, broad well formed spike; nicely curled bells. Splendid variety for forcing and excellent bedder.

**King of the Blues**. Deep glossy blue; splendid, well formed, long compact spike on short stem; bells of medium size but of great substance. Late forcer, desirable bedder.

**Dr. Streseman**. Sky blue; large and broad well shaped truss of large bells on short strong stems. Early forcer and a fine bedder.

### Single Yellow

**City of Haarlem**. Bright golden yellow; large truss. Very fine.

## NARCISSUS and DAFFODILS

**Poeticus Actea**, 16 in. Large, flat, overlapping pure white perianth, with yellow eye, broadly margined scarlet; the largest and best Poeticus.

3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; per 100 \$9.00.

**Carlton (Nimrod)**, 16 in. Clear yellow, flat, overlapping perianth, with deeper yellow beaker-shaped cup. Free flowering. Enormous large, perfectly shaped flower, the largest of the Incomparabilis varieties. An impressive flower, which keeps a long time.

3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.

**Cheerfulness**, 14 in. A double Poetax. White Petals with yellow at center; fragrant.

3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; per 100 \$9.00.

**Campernell, Single**. Jonquill type flower, free flowering. More than one flower to a stem.

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**Inglescomb**, 16 in. Uniform soft yellow double, fine for naturalization.

3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; per 100 \$13.00.

**King Alfred**, 16 in. Large golden yellow trumpet with frilled mouth, elegantly recurved; broad, well formed perianth of same color. One of the best Daffodils for forcing as well as for the garden. Excellent cutflower of lasting qualities.

3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; per 100 \$13.00.

**Lady Diana Manners**, 14 in. Pure white perianth with flat orange crown, edged deep orange.

3 for 35c; 10 for 95c; per 100 \$8.50.

**Monte Carlo**. Wide pure yellow frilled short trumpet, beautiful yellow overlaps perianth. Very long lasting.

3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; per 100 \$13.00.

**Mrs. R. O. Backhouse**, 14 in. Ivory white wavy perianth; slim, deeply fringed trumpet of light apricot, tinged pink, passing to shell-pink towards the brim. One of the "Pink Daffodils". Each 40c; 10 for \$3.50.

**Mrs. E. H. Krelage**, 14 in. Broad, well overlapping white perianth, long trumpet, beautifully rolled back at brim, when opening creamy yellow, passing to white later on. For commercial purpose one of the best white trumpets.

3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; per 100 \$13.00.

**Red Cross**. Very large, flat overlapping, primrose yellow perianth; orange yellow cup, deep orange at the densely frilled brim. Free flowering variety on strong, tall stem.

3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.

**Rembrandt**, 14 in. Large, golden yellow throughout, bold elegantly recurved trumpet. One week earlier than King Alfred.

3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; per 100 \$13.00.

**Daffodils Mixed**. 10 for 60c; per 100 \$5.00.

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## POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS

- FOR HOUSE CULTURE ONLY -

**Paper White Grandiflora.** This is the best well-known pure white narcissus in this class. It is universally used by florists for forcing, and for planting in shallow pots with water and sufficient stones to keep them erect. They should be started in a dark place and brought gradually to the light to flower.

Each 12c; 10 for \$1.10; per 100 \$10.00.

**Grand Soleil D'Or.** Yellow, with a deep orange cup.

Each 15c; 10 for \$1.20.

## GIANT CROCUS

Price each 5c; 10 for 40c; per 100 \$3.25.

**Niggerboy.** Darkest purple.

**Purpurea Grandiflora.** Purple

**Pallas.** Light violet, striped white.

**Mont Blanc.** White.

**Yellow.**

**All Colors Mixed.** Each 4c; 10 for 30c; per 100 \$2.00.

## GALANTHUS (Snowdrops)

**Double. Pure white.** 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Single. Pure white.** 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

## MUSCARI (Grape Hyacinths)

**Armeniacum.** Deep cobalt-blue; large, fragrant flowers. very early. 3 for 10c; 10 for 30c; per 100 \$2.00.

## SCILLA SIBERICA

**Siberica Blue.** Light blue.

3 for 15c; 10 for 45c; per 100 \$3.50.

**Spring Beauty.** Bright blue, large flowers; very early.

3 for 20c; 10 for 50c; per 100 \$4.00.

## FREESIA

**Giant Freesia "Purity".** Pure white.

3 for 20c; 10 for 45c; per 100 \$3.50.

**New Colored Freesia.** Extra choice mixture.

3 for 20c; 10 for 45c; per 100 \$3.50.

## ANEMONES

- PLANT IN OCTOBER-NOVEMBER -

**Monarch De Caen Mixed.**

3 for 30c; 10 for 90c; per 100 \$8.00.

**St. Brigid.** 3 for 30; 10 for \$1.00; per 100 \$9.00.

## OXALIS

**Bermuda Buttercups.** Bright buttercup yellow.

Each 10c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

**Grand Duchess.** White, pink, lavender.

Each 10c; 10 for 70c; per 100 \$6.00.

## AMARYLLIS

**Giant Hybrids.** Large richly colored lily-like flowers.

Easy to grow indoors in pots during the winter and early spring. Each 60c; 10 for \$5.50.

## CALLA LILIES

**Aethiopica.** White. Each 50c.

## CHINESE SACRED LILY

**A Variety of Narcissus of the Polyanthus Class.**

Large selected bulbs. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.20.

## HARDY LILIES

**Candidum (Madonna Lily).** Pure white, fragrant, borne on long stems. It should be planted early in the autumn, so that it can make growth before frost.

Each 40c; 10 for \$3.50.

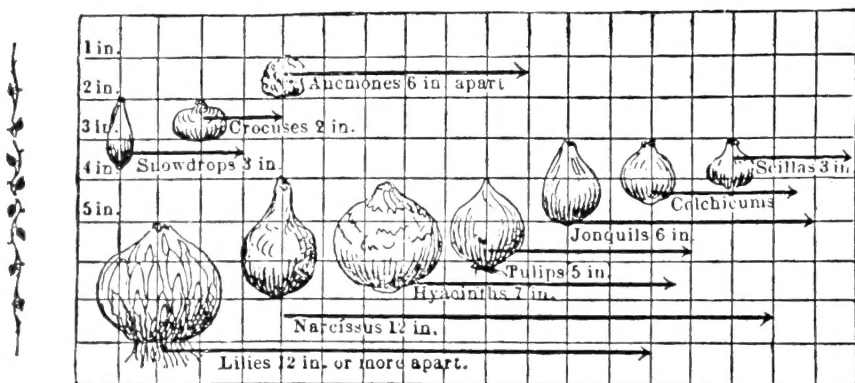
## CULTURAL SUGGESTIONS

All bulbs should be planted in rich soil, and for best results old soil is preferable. If stable manure is used when planting is done, it must be old, well rotted material, as otherwise it is injurious to bulbs.

Soil must be well drained and bulbs may be planted in groups of six, twelve or more; or many times in large numbers for intense color effect.

When ground is frozen in late fall, cover with a few inches of coarse material or leaves, and do not uncover until danger of the ground freezing in the spring is past.

### Depths at which different bulbs should be planted



## ROSS' LAWN SEED

The kind that builds Velvety, Weed-free Lawns



**Worcester Lawn Seed.** A general purpose mixture. Makes a good turf in a few weeks. Price—Lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$4.35; 10 lbs., \$8.20; 100 lbs., \$77.00.

**Green Hill Lawn Seed.** We are confident no better lawn seed can be made. Price—Lb., \$1.10; 5 lbs., \$5.20; 10 lbs., \$9.90; 100 lbs., \$94.00.

**True Green Lawn Seed.** A mixture of three of the best grasses, adapted to New England soil. Price—Lb., 80c; 5 lbs., \$3.80; 10 lbs., \$7.10; 100 lbs., \$66.00.

**Shady Spot Lawn Seed.** Mixture of varieties which have proven their ability to thrive in shady places. Price—Lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$4.30; 10 lbs., \$8.10; 100 lbs., \$76.00.